

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa..

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

May 8

1888.

Sir:

Referring to letter of S. J. Diffinett and inquiries therein submitted toasker for suggestions pertinent thereto, I have to say, that it would be impossible to give the precise loss by abrasion by handling gold coin in bulk for shipping. But some years ago I experimented on a package of \$5000, gold coin and found the ~~amount~~ ^{exact} percent of loss to be at the rate of Five (5) dollars per million dollars, once handled. A great deal depends upon how coin is handled.

The cost of kegs, ^{each}, is about 90 cents. Of bags (~~about~~) about 3 cents. We use no boxes for shipping gold. A Keg will accommodate of 125.000 in gold, and pack snugly.

Very truly yours,
H. D. H. Fox,
Superintendent

Respectfully

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Superintendent's Office,
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Sir:

Referring to letter of S.T. Lippincott and inquiries therein submitted to Cashier for suggestions pertinent thereto, I have to say, that it would be impossible to give the precise loss by abrasion by handling gold coin in bulk for shipping. But some years ago I experimented on a package of \$5000 Gold coin and found the coinage percent of loss to be at the rate of Five (5) Dollars per million dollars, once handled. A great deal depends upon how coin is handled.

The cost of Kegs <each> is about 90 cents. Of bags (duck) about 3 cents. We use no boxes for shipping gold. A Keg will accommodate \$125,000 in gold, and pack snugly.

Respectfully,
M.H. Cobb
Cash.

Hon. D.M. Fox, Superintendent